

INVITATION FOR BIDS LEASE OF STATE LANDS

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Ag & Grazing Management Bureau, through December 31, 2015 for a 10-year agricultural & grazing lease on the following described lands in Pondera County:

T30N R3W Section 18: S2NE4, SE4 containing 168.19 acres of CRP and 71.81 acres of grazing land.

The minimum bid rate is \$704.52 based on a grazing carrying capacity of 36 AUMS at a rate of \$19.57 per AUM plus a minimum cash rental of \$2,522.85 based on \$15.00 per acre for 168.19 acres of CRP.

By law all bids in order to be considered valid must include a deposit in the form of a certified check, cashiers check or money order in the amount equal to 100% of the amount bid for grazing, and \$20.00 per acre for the Agricultural land, plus a non-refundable lease application fee of \$25.00. In order to be considered, all bids must be accompanied with a completed application to lease state lands.

The State Board of Land Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Bid forms may be obtained from the Department's Conrad Unit Office located in the Pondera Village Shopping Center at 600 S. Main St. Conrad Montana, or by calling 406-278-7869.

More information can be found on our website: <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/agriculture-and-grazing/vacant-tracts-open-for-bid>

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Shelby Promoter and The Valerian
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The Independent-Observer
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